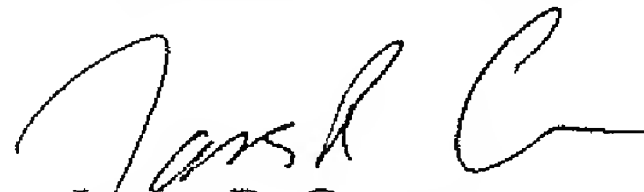


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### REMARKS

This response is submitted in reply to the Final Office Action mailed January 27, 2006 ("the Action"). Claims 1-3, 5-20, 33, 34, 36-38, 44 and 45 are pending in this application. Claims 10-20, 33-35, 38, 44 and 45 are allowed. Claims 1-3, 5-9, 36 and 37 stand rejected. Hereinabove, Applicant has canceled all rejected claims, such that only allowed claims remain pending in the application. Accordingly, Applicant submits that the present application is in condition for allowance and the same is earnestly solicited. The Examiner is encouraged to telephone the undersigned at 919-854-1400 for resolution of any outstanding issues.

Respectfully submitted,

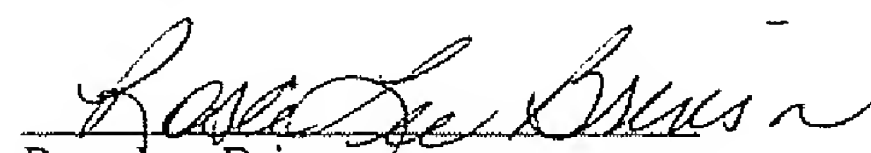


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